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In Re U.S. Patent Application Art Unit: 1765 Applicant: Nakamura et al. Confirmation No.: 9409 Serial No.: 09/856,212 I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope Filed: May 18, 2002 addressed to: Mail Stop NON-FEE AMENDMENT, Commissioner of Patents, For: PRODUCTION METHOD FOR SILICON P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA, 22313-SINGLE CRYSTAL WAFER 1450, on April 5, 2004 Examiner: Matthew J. Song

## **AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop NON-FEE AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The office action of January 14, 2004 has been carefully reviewed and the following amendments and remarks are made in response thereto.